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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the Application of )

JOHN J. TOBEN, et al. )

for: SEGMENTED PYRAMID ROLLER )

Serial No.: 10/685,946 )

Filed: October 15, 2003 )

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) Group Art Unit: 3726

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 25, 2004, the time for response extending to September 27, 2004 (September 25, 2004 being a Saturday), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the existing rejection in view of Applicants' amendments and remarks below.

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### CONCLUSION

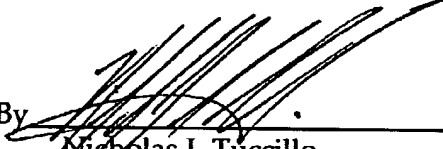
In view of the remarks above, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-3, and 5-20 are allowable, and an early action to that effect is earnestly solicited.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number below to expedite resolution of any issues that the Examiner may consider to remain unresolved. In particular, should a Notice of Allowance not be forthcoming, and if an Examiner's Amendment would place the case in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to phone the undersigned for a telephonic interview while the outstanding issues are fresh in the mind of the Examiner.

It is believed that no additional fees or deficiencies in fees are owed. However, authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 13-0235 in the event any additional fees are owed.

Respectfully submitted,

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